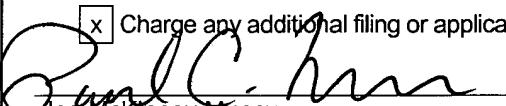


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Applicant(s): Thomas SHENG et al.				
Invention: SHEET SEPARATOR FOR AN AUTOMATIC SHEET FEEDER				
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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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August 15, 2005

Sir:

Responsive to the May 13, 2005 Office Action, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Amendments to the Specification;

Amended Claim Set; and

Remarks.